

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 10/553,590  
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Applicant: Keith Clark  
Group Art Unit: 3676  
Examiner: Vishal A. Patel  
Title: UNITIZED PINION SEAL FOR AN AXLE  
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**AMENDMENT SUBMITTED WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Sir:

In conjunction with Applicant's Request For Continued Examination, and in response to the Final Office Action mailed October 14, 2009, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.